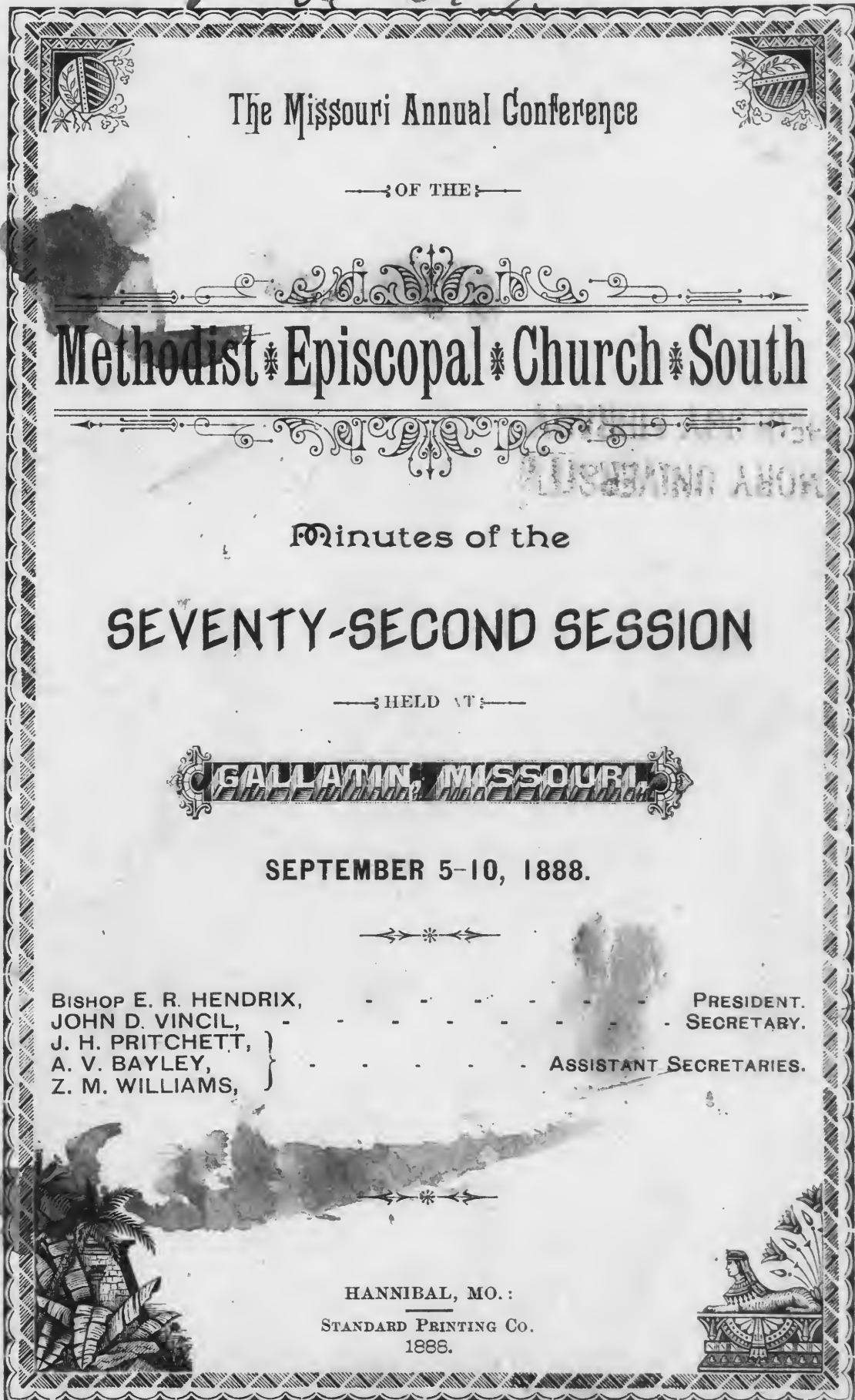


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| No. | PLACE OF SESSION.   | DATE.                   | PRESIDENT.            | SECRETARY.     |
|-----|---|-------------------------|-----------------------|----------------|
| 1   | Shiloh Meeting House, Ill. Ter .....                          | Sept., 1816             | Bishop McKendree.     | J. C. Harbison |
| 2   | Bethel Meeting House, Ill. Ter.....                           | Oct., 1817              | Bishop Roberts.....   | John Scripps   |
| 3   | Bethel M. H., Vincennes Circuit, Ind....                      | Sept., 1818             | Bishop McKendree..    | John Scripps   |
| 4   | McKendree Chapel, Cape Girardeau }<br>Ct., Mo. Territory..... | Sept., 1819             | Bishop George.....    | John Scripps   |
| 5   | Shiloh Meeting House, Ill. Ter.....                           | Sept., 1820             | Bishop Roberts.....   | John Scripps   |
| 6   | McKendree Chapel, Mo. Ter.....                                | Oct., 1821              | Bishop Roberts.....   | John Scripps   |
| 7   | St. Louis, Missouri.....                                      | Oct., 1822              | Bishop Roberts.....   | John Scripps   |
| 8   | St. Louis, Missouri.....                                      | Oct., 1823              | Bishop McKendree..    | John Scripps   |
| 9   | Padfield, St. Clair Co., Ill.....                             | Oct., 1824              | Bishop McKendree..    | John Scripps   |
| 10  | New Tennessee, Saline Co., Mo.....                            | Aug. and<br>Sept., 1825 | Bishop Roberts.....   | John Scripps   |
| 11  | McKendree Chapel, Missouri.....                               | Sept., 1826             | Bishop Roberts.....   | John Scripps   |
| 12  | St. Louis, Missouri.....                                      | Sept., 1827             | Bishop Soule.....     | John Dew       |
| 13  | Fayette Camp Ground, Mo.....                                  | Sept., 1828             | Bishop Soule.....     | Jas Bankson    |
| 14  | Potosi, Missouri.....   | Sept., 1829             | Bishop Roberts.....   | Jas Bankson    |
| 15  | St. Louis, Missouri.....                                      | Sept., 1830             | Bishop Roberts.....   | John Scripps   |
| 16  | McKendree Chapel, Missouri.....                               | Sept., 1831             | Bishop Soule.....     | John Scripps   |
| 17  | Pilot Grove, Cooper Co., Mo.....                              | Sept., 1832             | Bishop Soule.....     | John Glanville |
| 18  | Mountain Spring, C. Grd., Ark Ter....                         | Sept., 1833             | Bishop Roberts.....   | W. W. Redman   |
| 19  | Bellevue, Washington Co., Mo.....                             | Sept., 1834             | Bishop Roberts.....   | W. W. Redman   |
| 20  | Arrow Rock Camp Gr'd, Cooper Co., Mo.                         | Sept., 1835             | Bishop Roberts.....   | W. W. Redman   |
| 21  | St. Louis, Missouri.....                                      | Sept., 1836             | Bishop Roderts.....   | J. M. Jameson  |
| 22  | St. Louis, Missouri.....                                      | Sept., 1837             | Bishop Soule.....     | J. M. Jameson  |
| 23  | Boonville, Missouri.....                                      | Sept., 1838             | Bishop Soule.....     | W. W. Redman   |
| 24  | Fayette, Missouri.....  | Oct., 1839              | Bishop Morris.....    | W. W. Redman   |
| 25  | St. Louis, Missouri.....                                      | Sept., 1840             | Bishop Waugh.....     | W. W. Redman   |
| 26  | Palmyra, Missouri.....  | Oct., 1841              | Bishop Morris.....    | W. W. Redman   |
| 27  | Jefferson City, Missouri.....                                 | Sept., 1842             | Bishop Roberts.....   | W. W. Redman   |
| 28  | Lexington, ".....   | Sept., 1843             | Bishop Andrew.....    | W. W. Redman   |
| 29  | St. Louis, ".....   | Sept., 1844             | Bishop Morris.....    | W. W. Redman   |
| 30  | Columbia, ".....  | Oct., 1845              | Bishop Soule.....     | W. W. Redman   |
| 31  | Hannibal, ".....  | Oct., 1846              | Bishop Paine.....     | John H. Linn   |
| 32  | Glasgow, ".....   | Oct., 1847              | Bishop Capers.....    | W. W. Redman   |
| 33  | Weston, ".....  | Oct., 1848              | Bishop Andrew.....    | W. W. Redman   |
| 34  | Fulton, ".....  | Sept., 1849             | Bishop Paine.....     | W. W. Redman   |
| 35  | Canton, ".....  | Oct., 1850              | A. Monroe.....        | Wm. M. Rush    |
| 36  | Fayette, ".....   | Sept., 1851             | Bishop Capers.....    | Wm. M. Rush    |
| 37  | St. Joseph, ".....  | Oct., 1852              | Bishop Paine.....     | Richard Bond   |
| 38  | Palmyra, ".....   | Sept., 1853             | Bishop Andrew.....    | Wm. M. Rush    |
| 39  | Brunswick, ".....   | Sept., 1854             | Bishop Kavanaugh..... | Wm. M. Rush    |
| 40  | Richmond, ".....  | Sept., 1855             | Bishop Early.....     | Wm. M. Rush    |
| 41  | Louisiana, ".....   | Sept., 1856             | Bishop Pierce.....    | Wm. M. Rush    |
| 42  | Glasgow, ".....   | Sept., 1857             | Bishop Andrew.....    | B. H. Spencer  |
| 43  | Chillicothe, ".....   | Sept., 1858             | Bishop Early.....     | Wm. M. Rush    |
| 44  | St. Joseph, ".....  | Sept., 1859             | Bishop Paine.....     | Wm. M. Rush    |
| 45  | St. Charles, ".....   | Sept., 1860             | Bishop Kavanaugh..... | E. K. Miller   |
| 46  | Glasgow, ".....   | Sept., 1861             | Wm. G. Caples.....    | E. K. Miller   |
| 47  | Fulton, ".....  | Oct., 1862              | A. Monroe.....        | John D. Vincil |
| 48  | Mexico, ".....  | Sept., 1864             | A. Monroe.....        | John D. Vincil |
| 49  | Hannibal, ".....  | Aug., 1865              | Bishop Kavanaugh..... | John D. Vincil |
| 50  | Richmond, ".....  | Sept., 1866             | Bishop Doggett.....   | John D. Vincil |
| 51  | Macon City, ".....  | Sept., 1867             | Bishop Marvin.....    | John D. Vincil |
| 52  | Weston, ".....  | Sept., 1868             | Bishop Kavanaugh..... | John D. Vincil |
| 53  | Chillicothe, ".....   | Sept., 1869             | Bishop Pierce.....    | John D. Vincil |
| 54  | Columbia, ".....  | Sept., 1870             | Bishop McTyeire.....  | John D. Vincil |
| 55  | Palmyra, ".....   | Sept., 1871             | Bishop Doggett.....   | John D. Vincil |
| 56  | Mexico, ".....  | Sept., 1872             | Bishop Pierce.....    | John D. Vincil |
| 57  | Carrollton, ".....  | Sept., 1873             | Bishop Wightman.....  | John D. Vincil |
| 58  | St. Joseph, ".....  | Sept., 1874             | Bishop Keener.....    | John D. Vincil |
| 59  | Glasgow, ".....   | Oct., 1875              | Bishop Keener.....    | John D. Vincil |
| 60  | Hannibal, ".....  | Sept., 1876             | Bishop McTyeire.....  | John D. Vincil |
| 61  | Fulton, ".....  | Sept., 1877             | Bishop Marvin.....    | John D. Vincil |
| 62  | Macon City, ".....  | Sept., 1878             | Bishop Doggett.....   | John D. Vincil |
| 63  | Louisiana, ".....   | Sept., 1879             | Bishop Wightman.....  | John D. Vincil |
| 64  | Richmond, ".....  | Sept., 1880             | Bishop Keener.....    | John D. Vincil |
| 65  | Moberly, ".....   | Sept., 1881             | Bishop Pierce.....    | John D. Vincil |
| 66  | Plattsburg, ".....  | Sept., 1882             | Bishop Granberry..... | John D. Vincil |
| 67  | Chillicothe, ".....   | Sept., 1883             | Bishop Wilson.....    | John D. Vincil |
| 68  | Shelbina, ".....  | Sept., 1884             | Bishop Parker.....    | John D. Vincil |
| 69  | Columbia, ".....  | Sept., 1885             | Bishop Granberry..... | John D. Vincil |
| 70  | St. Joseph, ".....  | Sept., 1886             | Bishop McTyeire.....  | John D. Vincil |
| 71  | Mexico, ".....  | Sept., 1887             | Bishop Hendrix.....   | John D. Vincil |
| 72  | Gallatin, ".....  | Sept., 1888             | Bishop Hendrix.....   | John D. Vincil |



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SECOND YEAR—John A. Beagle, H. P. Bond, H. D. Groves.

THIRD YEAR—J. H. Hager, L. B. Madison, H. C. Bolen.

FOURTH YEAR—E. K. Miller, H. M. Myers, Z. M. Williams.

*Classes.*

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SECOND YEAR—W. S. Rooker, B. P. Searcy, M. T. E. Potter, J. O. Whitworth, G. E. Tanquary, J. B. Henderson, Elsworth S. Williams, Wm. H. Utter.

THIRD YEAR—C. G. Hill, J. T. Moreman, W. A. Davis, E. D. Rutledge, W. F. McMurray, O. B. Holliday, J. H. Shelton, I. T. Nash, E. M. Capp, C. N. Broadhurst, C. W. Tucker, M. B. Broadus, P. G. Nichols, J. L. Gilbert, B. F. Hall, J. P. Godbey.

FOURTH YEAR—John R. Divelbiss, Wm. H. Roper, J. M. Settle, Rufus M. Dameron, J. V. E. Humphries.

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MACON DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL—J. W. Keithley, J. W. Owen.

*Assessments for 1888-89.*

| DISTRICTS.        | Foreign<br>Missions. | Domestic<br>Missions | Church<br>Extension. | Bishops'<br>Fund. | Expenses<br>of Gen.<br>Conference |
|-------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------------|
| St. Charles ..... | \$1,110 00           | \$555 00             | \$344 00             | \$85 00           | \$45 00                           |
| Mexico.....       | 1,332 00             | 666 00               | 364 00               | 135 00            | 75 00                             |
| Fayette .....     | 1,332 00             | 666 00               | 404 00               | 150 00            | 85 00                             |
| Chillicothe.....  | 1,332 00             | 666 00               | 364 00               | 135 00            | 75 00                             |
| Plattsburg .....  | 1,332 00             | 666 00               | 365 00               | 140 00            | 75 00                             |
| St. Joseph.....   | 1,332 00             | 666 00               | 365 00               | 140 00            | 75 00                             |
| Hannibal.....     | 1,332 00             | 666 00               | 364 00               | 140 00            | 75 00                             |
| Macon .....       | 1,110 00             | 555 00               | 354 00               | 110 00            | 60 00                             |
| Gallatin.....     | 888 00               | 444 00               | 264 00               | 65 00             | 35 00                             |
|                   | \$11,100 00          | \$5,550 00           | \$3,188 00           | \$1,100 00        | \$600 00                          |



# Journal of Proceedings.

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## *FIRST DAY—Wednesday.*

GALLATIN, Mo., Sept. 5th, 1888.

The seventy-second session of the Missouri Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, met in the auditorium of the church at Gallatin, Mo., Sept. 5th, 1888, at 9 a. m., Bishop Hendrix presiding. The Conference was opened by the administration of the sacrament of the Lord's Supper, the Bishop being assisted in this service by Daniel Penny, C. I. Van Deventer, E. M. Bounds and E. K. Miller.

After this service, which was participated in by a large audience, the Conference adjourned to Alexander Hall where the business sessions were held.

The Secretary of the last Conference called the roll and a large number of the members answered to their names.

John D. Vincil was elected Secretary, and J. H. Pritchett, A. V. Bayley and Z. M. Williams, Assistants.

The bar of the Conference and the hours of meeting and adjourning were fixed.

J. O. Edmonston was elected to fill a vacancy in the Board of Education.

The following committees were then appointed:

PUBLIC WORSHIP—Geo. J. Warren and Z. M. Williams.

BIBLE CAUSE—J. S. Todd, J. N. Baskett, C. W. Collett.

CONFERENCE RELATIONS—J. W. Ramsey, W. G. Shackelford, J. H. Hager, R. M. Dameron, Robt. White, H. C. Bolen, J. A. Wailles, H. T. Leeper, L. B. Madison, J. S. Smith.

BOOKS AND PERIODICALS—H. M. Myers, E. K. Miller, J. A. Beagle, A. G. Dinwiddie, R. H. Cooper, W. I. Culver, J. A. Snarr, J. M. Settle, Dr. A. B. Miller.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE JOURNALS.—J. D. Shook, W. H. Wakefield, J. H. Hubbard, J. D. Hunt, D. M. Proctor, W. E. Gibson, B. M. Moore, J. T. McDonald, S. W. Atteberry.

TEMPERANCE.—M. B. Broadus, G. W. Carleton, Thos. Shackelford, W. O. McLeod, J. T. Winstead, J. H. Utz, W. G. Miller, C. W. Hurley, J. M. O'Brien.

Mr. E. E. Yates, of Gallatin, was presented to the Conference and delivered an address of welcome with appropriate and earnest words, which was responded to by Bishop Hendrix.

Rev. Dr. J. D. Barbee, of Nashville, Revs. C. L. Chilton and C. H. Briggs of S. W. Mo. Conference, and Rev. A. G. Dinwiddie were introduced to the Conference.

Communications from the agent of the Publishing House, the Secretary of the Board of Missions, the Secretary of Church Extension, and the Joint Committee of Editorial Management of the *St. Louis Christian Advocate* were read and referred to the appropriate boards and committees.

The 20th Question was asked and the names of the various Presiding Elders were called and their characters passed, after which Conference adjourned with the benediction.

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## *SECOND DAY—Thursday.*

GALLATIN, Mo., Sept. 6th, 1888.

Conference opened at 8:30 a. m., Bishop Hendrix in the chair. The opening religious exercises were conducted by J. S. Frazier, after which the minutes were read and approved and the roll called.

R. B. Taylor was substituted for P. Y. Hurt on Board of Church Extension.

Communications were read from the Board of Curators of Central College, the Board of Curators of Howard Female College, the Curators of St. Charles College, and the Curators of Central Female College, and referred to the Board of Education.

The resignation of W. O. Gray as curator of Central College was presented and referred to the Board of Education.

Committee in case of J. W. Jordan reported that he was suspended and asked that a committee of trial be appointed, which was done.

A communication was read from W. C. Dunlap, Commissioner of Education, which was referred to the following special committee: Thos. Shackelford, T. G. Whitten and J. S. Frazier.

Rev. W. C. Dunlap, Commissioner of Education, and Dr. David Morton, Secretary of Church Extension Board, were introduced to the Conference.

Question 1—"Who are admitted on trial?" was called and the following were admitted: G. M. Gibson and Theodore P. Farry from the St. Charles District; Melville Hardin and Levi T. Fawks, Fayette District; John Garvin, St. Joseph District; Elmer E. Bostwick, Hannibal District; M. H. Kaufman, W. C. Rice, John H. French and T. G. Petree, Gallatin District, and Darius L. Moffatt, Macon District.

C. G. Hill, J. T. Moreman, W. A. Davis, E. D. Rutledge, W. F. McMurry, O. B. Holliday, J. H. Shelton, I. T. Nash, E. M. Capp and C. N. Broadhurst, having passed the examination of the second year, were elected to deacon's orders.

Chas. P. McClure was discontinued. John T. Kimsey was elected to Elder's orders.

Rev. Mr. Kirkwood, of the Presbyterian Church, and Rev. Mr. Nichols, of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, were introduced to the Conference.

L. D. Dameron was introduced, and announced that he had made arrangements to the effect that the St. Louis *Christian Advocate* shall become the property of the patronizing conferences at his death.

After announcements the Conference adjourned with the benediction.

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### THIRD DAY—Friday.

GALLATIN, Mo., Sept. 7th, 1888.

The opening religious services of the Conference were conducted by Rev. J. W. Johnson, Bishop Hendrix presiding.

The minutes were read and approved, and the names of those who had not previously answered to the roll were called.

Rev. Dr. Hammond, President of Central College, Rev. Dr. J. W. Lewis, Agent American Bible Society, Rev. Mr. Poland, Fraternal Messenger from Missouri Conference, M. E. Church, Rev. E. J. Stanley, Montana Conference, were introduced to the Conference.

The report of the Board of Trust of Conference Fund, was made by the Chairman, and the Conference, by resolution, recommended the appointment of an agent to devote himself to increasing that fund.

The committee in the case of J. W. Jordan reported, and in accordance with their verdict he was reprimanded by the Bishop.

The following transfers were announced:

Rev. John D. Hammond, St. Louis Conference; J. V. E. Humphreys and W. F. Packard, Denver Conference; L. P. Siceloff, South West Missouri Conference; Charles T. McAnally, Illinois Conference; J. H. Jackson, West Virginia Conference.

A collection was taken to bring up the deficit on Church Extension, which resulted in the full amount being paid in.

Dr. J. W. Lewis, Agent of the American Bible Society, was introduced and addressed the Conference in the interest of that great organization.

Rev. Mr. Redd, Pastor of the Christian Church of this city, and Dr. J. E. Godbey, editor of the Southwestern *Methodist*, were introduced to the Conference.

The hour having arrived for the reception of the candidates for admission into full connection, the Conference arose and sung "Lord in the strength of grace," and the following were brought before the bar of the Conference, and after an impressive address by the Bishop, were received into full connection:

W. F. McMurry, C. W. Tucker, John H. Shelton, C. W. Broadhurst, I. T. Nash, C. G. Hill, E. M. Capp, W. A. Davis, O. B. Holli-day, E. L. Rutledge, Bowman D. Sipple, J. T. Moreman.

F. M. Cooper was discontinued. H. W. James was located.

Rev. J. H. Poland, fraternal delegate from the Missouri Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, was introduced and conveyed the fraternal message of that body.

M. B. Chapman was appointed fraternal delegate to the next session of the Missouri Conference of the M. E. Church, and W. A. Hanna alternate.

Rev. C. W. Holmes, pastor of the Colored Methodist Episcopal Church at St. Joseph, was introduced and addressed the Conference in the interest of a church building enterprise in his charge. He took up a collection which resulted in raising \$66.

Dr. Barbee addressed the Conference with regard to the deficit in the Bishops' salaries, and various matters relating to the interests in his charge.

Announcements were made, the benediction pronounced and the Conference adjourned.

### *FOURTH DAY—Saturday.*

GALLATIN, MO., Sept. 8th, 1888.

Conference met at the usual hour, Bishop Hendrix in the chair.

The opening religious exercises were conducted by Rev. J. McEwen.

The minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

On motion the further calling of the roll was dispensed with.

A communication was received from the Indian Mission Conference asking this Conference to restore the credentials of T. E. Rose, a former member of this body, which request was refused.

Question 2 was asked, "Who remain on trial?" The names of W. S. Rooker, B. D. Searcy, M. T. E. Potter, J. O. Whitworth, G. Tanquary, J. B. Henderson and Ellsworth S. Williams were called and they were advanced to the class of the second year.

Question 7—"Who are the deacons of one year?" The names of the following were called, their characters passed, and they were advanced to the class of the fourth year: Jno. R. Divelbiss, Wm. H. Roper, J. M. Settle, Rufus M. Dameron, J. V. E. Humphries.

Question 11—"What local preachers are elected deacons?" G. M. Gibson.

Question 12—"What traveling preachers are elected elders?" J. T. Kimsey, Jesse A. Wailes and Howard L. Davis.

J. C. Kindred's character passed and he was continued in the class of the first year.

M. B. Broaddus, P. G. Nichols, J. L. Gilbert, B. F. Hall and J. P. Godbey were continued in the class of the third year.

H. W. Graham was discontinued at his own request.

Wm. S. Rooker was elected to elder's orders as a local deacon.

Question 20 was taken up. "Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration?"

Rev. S. L. Woody was located on the ground of unacceptability.

W. J. Blakey was located at his own request.

The names of a number of elders were called and their characters passed.

A communication was read from Centenary High School at Palmyra, which was referred to the Board of Education.

The report of the Committee on Temperance was read and adopted.

The report of the Board of Education with reference to Howard College was read and adopted, and Rev. H. D. Groves, the President of that institution, addressed the Conference concerning the interests in his charge.

After announcements, the benediction was pronounced and Conference adjourned.

### *FIFTH DAY—Monday (Morning.)*

GALLATIN, Mo., Sept. 10th, 1888.

Conference met pursuant to adjournment, Bishop Hendrix in the chair.

The opening religious exercises were conducted by Rev. Henry Kay.

The minutes were read and approved.

J. H. Pritchett, E. K. Miller and George J. Warren, were appointed a committee to express the sense of this body on the subject of Evangelists, in accordance with a resolution passed by the Conference.

L. F. Linn was appointed on the Board of Church Extension in the place of H. W. James.

The Bishop announced that on yesterday, Sept. 9th, at the M. E. Church South, he had ordained the following deacons:

Clinton G. Hill, Jesse T. Moreman, Wm. A. Davis, E. L. Rutledge, Wm. F. McMurry, O. B. Holliday, J. H. Shelton, Isaac T. Nash, E. M. Capp, C. N. Broadhurst, traveling preachers, and George W. Gibson, a local preacher; also, on the evening of the above date and in the same place, Rev. W. W. McMurry reading the Epistle and Rev. H. P. Bond reading the Gospel, Revs. E. J. Stanley, J. H. Ledbetter, W. W. McMurry and George J. Warren, assisting in the laying on of hands, he ordained the following Elders, namely: Jesse A. Wailes and Howard L. Davis, traveling preachers, and Wm. S. Rooker, a local preacher; also, that on the evening of Thursday, Sept. 6th, in his room, assisted by the elders present, he ordained the following elder, namely: John T. Kimsey, a traveling preacher.

Daniel T. Sherman, Elmore Carlyle, G. W. Rich, S. W. Cope, Alex. Spencer, Daniel Penny, Thos. Hurst, James Penn, Charles Babcock, C. W. Collett, B. F. Hall, R. A. Austin and B. H. Stillwell, were granted a superannuated relation.



T. M. Rucker was granted a supernumerary relation.

Rev. W. F. Packard, a transfer from the Denver Conference to this Conference, and Rev. Mr. Palmer, of the Presbyterian Church, were introduced to the Conference.

The names of a large number of preachers were called and their characters passed.

The report of the Special Committee on the interests of Paine and Lane Institute was adopted, and W. C. Dunlap was introduced to the Conference and addressed the body. A collection was taken for this cause amounting to \$42.65.

Palmyra was selected as the place for holding the next session of the Conference.

It was announced that the laymen of the Conference had organized themselves into a Layman's Association for promoting the spiritual and financial interests of the church.

Conference then adjourned to meet at 2 o'clock.

### *FIFTH DAY—Monday (Afternoon.)*

GALLATIN, Mo., Sept. 10th, 1888.

The Conference met at 2 p. m., pursuant to adjournment, Bishop Hendrix in the chair.

The religious exercises were conducted by Rev. L. Rush.

The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

Rev. William Warren was added to the superannuated list.

Various reports, resolutions, etc., were read and adopted.

Rev. E. J. Stanley, of the Montana Conference, was introduced and addressed the Conference.

B. F. Johnson, J. H. Ledbetter and M. B. Chapman were appointed a committee to nominate a new Board of Curators for Howard College.

M. R. Jones was granted a supernumerary relation.

The names of a number of preachers were called and their characters passed.

It was reported that \$7,983.10 had been paid for Foreign Missions, and \$4,487.80 for Domestic Missions.

Walter Toole was granted a superannuated relation.

The Board of Finance made its reports which were received, after which the distribution to the various beneficiaries was made and Conference adjourned to meet at 7:30 p. m.



*FIFTH DAY—Monday (Evening.)*

GALLATIN, Mo., Sept. 10th, 1888.

Conference was opened pursuant to adjournment at 7:30 o'clock, Rev. C. I. Van Deventer in the chair.

After the opening religious services conducted by Bro. Van Deventer, the minutes of the afternoon session were read and approved.

Bishop Hendrix then entered and took the chair.

The appropriations made by the Board of Missions were then read.

Joint Board of Finance was announced as follows :

W. H. Lewis, P. P. Ellis, W. F. Bell, J. F. Rucker, J. L. M. Hoyle, S. H. Todd, L. Rush, W. S. Dimmitt, S. H. Milam, E. H. Hulin, W. C. Maggart, David Ball, S. B. Tabor, T. B. Yates, H. C. Bolen, W. P. Gibson, T. H. Swearingen, W. L. Culver.

The following visiting committees were appointed :

Central College—J. S. Frazier, L. F. Linn.

Howard Female College—T. G. Whitten, J. H. Hager.

St. Charles College—J. W. Ramsey, John Holland.

Central Female College—J. A. Beagle, Z. M. Williams.

Centenary High School—M. B. Chapman, J. A. Snarr.

Macon District High School—J. W. Keithley, J. W. Owen.

Resolutions of thanks were then adopted, the minutes of the evening session were read and approved, and after singing and prayer the appointments for the ensuing year were announced, and Conference adjourned with the benediction.



## Condensed Minutes.

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Question 1—Who are admitted on trial? George Miles Gibson, T. P. Farry, Melville Hardin, Levi T. Fawks, W. C. Rice, M. H. Kauffman, John Garvin, John H. French, T. G. Petree, E. E. Bostwick, Darius L. V. Moffett.

Question 2—Who remain on trial? Wm. S. Rooker, B. P. Searcy, M. T. E. Potter, J. O. Whitworth, Grafton E. Tanquary, E. S. Williams, J. B. Henderson, J. C. Kindred remains in this class from last year, W. H. Utter, remains in this class from last year.

Question 3—Who are discontinued? Charles McCluer, F. M. Cooper, H. W. Graham.

Question 4—Who are admitted into full connection? C. G. Hill, W. A. Davis, E. M. Capp, W. F. McMurry, O. B. Holliday, B. D. Sipple, (a Deacon), Isaac T. Nash, J. T. Moreman, E. L. Rutledge, John H. Shelton, Chas. W. Tucker, (an Elder), C. N. Broadhurst.

Question 5—Who are re-admitted? None.

Question 6—Who are received by transfer from other Conferences? J. D. Hammond, St. Louis Conference; W. F. Packard, Denver Conference; J. V. E. Humphrey, Denver Conference; J. H. Jackson, West Virginia Conference; C. T. McAnnally, Illinois Conference; L. B. Siceloff, South West Missouri Conference.

Question 7—Who are the deacons of one year? John R. Divelbiss, Wm. H. Roper, J. M. Settle, R. M. Dameron, J. E. V. Humphrey, B. F. Hall, J. P. Godbey, P. G. Nichols, M. B. Broaddus, Jas. L. Gilbert.

Question 8—What traveling preachers are elected deacons? C. G. Hill, J. T. Moreman, Wm. A. Davis, E. L. Rutledge, W. F. McMurry, Isaac T. Nash, O. B. Holliday, John H. Shelton, E. M. Capp, C. N. Broadhurst.

Question 9—What traveling preachers are ordained deacons? C. G. Hill, J. T. Moreman, W. A. Davis, E. L. Rutledge, W. F. McMurry, J. H. Shelton, O. B. Holliday, I. T. Nash, E. M. Capp, C. N. Broadhurst.

Question 10—What local preachers are elected deacons? George Miles Gibson.

Question 11—What local preachers are ordained deacons? Geo. M. Gibson.

Question 12—What traveling preachers are elected elders? John T. Kimsey, Jesse E. Wailes, Howard L. Davis.

Question 13—What traveling preachers are ordained elders? J. T. Kimsey, J. A. Wailes, H. L. Davis.

Question 14—What local preachers are elected elders? W. S. Rooker.

Question 15—What local preachers are ordained elders? W. S. Rooker.

Question 16—Who are located this year? H. W. James, W. J. Blakey, R. F. Beavers, S. L. Woody located by order of the Conference on the ground of unacceptability.

Question 17—Who are supernumerary? T. M. Rucker, M. R. Jones.

Question 18—Who are superannuated? D. T. Sherman, E. Carlyle, G. W. Rich, S. W. Cope, D. Penny, T. Hurst, James Penn, C. Babcock, C. W. Collett, Walter Toole, A. Spencer.

Question 19—What preachers have died during the past year? The Conference renders thanks to GOD that none of our brethren have died the past year.

Question 20—Are all the preachers blameless in their life and official administration? Yes.

Question 21—What is the number of local preachers and members in the several circuits, stations, and missions of the Conference? Local preachers, 147; members, 34,181.

Question 22.—How many infants have been baptized during the year? 461.

Question 23—How many adults have been baptized during the year? 1,559.

Question 24—What is the number of Sunday Schools? 321.

Question 25—What is the number of Sunday School teachers? 2,658.

Question 26—What is the number of Sunday School scholars? 20,273.

Question 27—What amount is necessary for the superannuated preachers, and the widows and orphans of preachers? \$4,000.

Question 28—What has been collected on the foregoing account, and how has it been applied? \$3,968.11. See list of disbursements.

Question 29—What has been contributed for Missions? Foreign Missions, \$7,983.10; Domestic Missions, \$4,487.80.

Question 30—What has been contributed for Church Extension? \$2,394.75.

Question 31—What is the number, and what is the estimated value of church edifices? Number, 379; value, \$585,000.

Question 32—What is the number, and what is the estimated value of parsonages? Number 80; value, \$86,186.

Question 33—What are the educational statistics?

#### ANSWER TO QUESTION 33.

| NAME OF INSTITUTE.              | Grade.       | No. Teachers. | No. Students. | Endowment. | Value of Property. |
|---------------------------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|------------|--------------------|
| Central College .....           | College.     | 8             | 149           | \$120,000  | \$ 90,000          |
| Central Female.....             | "            | 13            | 142           | .....      | 50,000             |
| Howard Female College.....      | "            | 12            | 152           | .....      | 20,000             |
| St. Charles College.....        | "            | 6             | 120           | 23,000     | 20,000             |
| Centenary High School.....      | High School. | 7             | 149           | .....      | 5,000              |
| Macon District High School..... | "            | ..            | ..            | .....      | 10,000             |
|                                 |              | 712           | 712           | \$143,000  | \$195,000          |

Question 34—Where shall the next session of the Conference be held? Palmyra.

## Appointments for 1888-9.

CHILlicothe DISTRICT.—J. F. Shores, P. E; Chillicothe Station, Z. M. Williams; Brunswick Station, D. C. O'Howell; Carrollton Station, John Anderson; Bedford and Tina Circuit, H. L. Davis; Cowgill Circuit, J. O. Whitworth; Norborne Circuit, J. D. Hunt; DeWitt, Circuit, W. C. Maggart, T. M. Rucker, Sup.; Triplett Circuit, J. Y. Blakey; Chillicothe Circuit, R. M. Dameron; Humphreys Circuit, B. D. Sipple; Linneus Circuit, L. B. Siceloff; Milan Circuit, to be supplied by W. A. Smith; Browning Circuit, J. S. Rooker; Bogard Circuit, I. T. Nash; Greencastle Circuit, F. M. Cooper.

FAYETTE DISTRICT.—J. H. Ledbetter, P. E; Fayette Station, W. F. Packard; Fayette Circuit, W. F. Bell; Glasgow Station, J. S. Todd; Roanoke Circuit, J. L. Meffert; Columbia Station, J. H. Jackson; Ashland Circuit, D. R. Shackelford; Rocheport Circuit, M. L. Gray; Franklin Circuit, J. M. Dempsey; Renick Circuit, J. H. Hubbard; Prairie Hill Circuit, B. F. Johnson; Huntsville Circuit, J. O. Edmonston; Westville Circuit, J. V. E. Humphreys; Keytesville and Salisbury Circuit, J. P. Nolan; Centenary and Asbury Circuit, W. H. Roper; Harrisburg Circuit, R. F. Beavers.

J. D. Hammond, President Central College; H. D. Groves, President Howard Female College.

GALLATIN DISTRICT.—W. E. Dockery, P. E; Gallatin Station, W. A. Hanna; Jamesport Circuit, H. T. Leeper; Edinburg Circuit, J. W. Jordan; Jameson Circuit, W. A. Davis; Albany Circuit, B. P. Searcy; Bethany and Sweet Home Circuit, W. H. Kauffman; Lineville Circuit, J. M. Settle; Denver Circuit, W. C. Rice; Breckenridge Circuit, J. T. McDonald; Springhill Circuit, L. T. Fawks; Maysville Circuit, J. S. Gilbert; Eagleville Circuit, L. R. Divilbiss; Ravenwood Circuit, J. H. French; Pattonsburg Circuit, S. B. Tabor.

HANNIBAL DISTRICT.—W. W. McMurry, P. E; Park Church and Arch Street, M. B. Chapman; Philadelphia Circuit, E. E. Bostwick; Palmyra Station, J. R. A. Vaughan; Palmyra Circuit, H. P. Bond; Monroe City Circuit, S. H. Milam; Shelbyville Circuit, T. Penn; Hunnewell Circuit, C. T. McAnally; Monticello Circuit, J. A. Wailes; Kahoka Circuit, W. S. Rooker; Colony Circuit, W. H. Utter; La Belle Circuit, T. M. Paterson; Canton Circuit, J. A. Snarr; Novelty Circuit, J. C. Carney.

MACON DISTRICT.—J. H. Pritchett, P. E; Macon Station, J. H. Hager; Bloomington Circuit, J. T. Kimsey; Cairo Circuit, E. S. Williams; Moberly Station, T. G. Whitten; Paris Circuit, L. Rush; Shelbyville Station, H. Bascom Watson; Clarence Circuit, S. W. Attebery; LaPlata Circuit, D. L. Moffott; Kirksville Circuit, J. W. Keithly; Brashear Circuit, E. M. Capp; Edina Circuit, W. B. Beagle; Memphis Circuit, C. N. Broadhurst; Queen City Circuit, C. G. Hill; Bucklin Circuit, supplied by W. Toole; Shelbyville Circuit, J. W. Owen; Marceline Circuit, G. E. Tanquary.

MEXICO DISTRICT.—J. A. Mumpower, P. E; Mexico Station, E. K. Miller; Mexico Circuit, J. D. Houston; Auxvassa Circuit, W. H. Younger; Cedar City Circuit, J. M. L. Hoyle; Readsville Circuit, W. G. Shackelford; Fulton Station, G. J. Warren; Millersburg Circuit, G. W. Penn;

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